



**PEER-REVIEW REPORT**

**Name of journal:** World Journal of Gastroenterology

**Manuscript NO:** 40775

**Title:** Long term outcome of antiviral therapy in patients with hepatitis B associated decompensated cirrhosis

**Reviewer’s code:** 03538158

**Reviewer’s country:** Japan

**Science editor:** Ruo-Yu Ma

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	(High priority)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anonymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good		<input type="checkbox"/> Accept	<input type="checkbox"/> Onymous
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	(General priority)	Peer-reviewer’s expertise on the topic of the manuscript:
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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Major revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection	<input type="checkbox"/> No expertise
			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Only problem of this study is that this study lacks untreated control, especially those with HBV and decompensated cirrhosis. Authors should use proper references as follows. Chu CM, Liaw YF. Hepatitis B virus-related cirrhosis: natural history and



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treatment. *Semin Liver Dis.* 2006 May;26(2):142-52. Peng CY, Chien RN, Liaw YF. Hepatitis B virus-related decompensated liver cirrhosis: benefits of antiviral therapy. *J Hepatol.* 2012 Aug;57(2):442-50. And authors should discuss more.

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Good work ... Last two paragraph in introduction part could be extracted from the paper. already written later in a same fashion...



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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

Comments for ESPS Manuscript NO 40775 This paper is interesting and well written. There are no major and few minor concerns. Regarding the latter, except when it is first mentioned, HCC, the abbreviation form of hepatocellular carcinoma, should be used



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instead of hepatocellular carcinoma throughout the paper. In addition, the grammar of the manuscript should be carefully corrected. For example, one spelling mistake in the Abstract section was noticed: “in patients with” was misspelled “in patient with”.

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**SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

The study entitled "Long term outcome of antiviral therapy in patients with hepatitis B associated decompensated cirrhosis" have important clinical implications. However, there are several concerns and roomsto refine the manuscript (not limited to below



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comments). Comments: - Lay Summary, What is new here: Do not duplicate results. - Conclusions: Do not duplicate results. Describe implications of antiviral therapy in terms of mortality, HCC, and decompensation incidences. - Antivirals: More clearly describe on the high potency NUCs (TDF, TAF). - Operational definitions & its validation: Operational definitions & its validation are critical in this study. More clear descriptions are required. For example, are 133 patients enough to validate for 7,166 decompensated patients' data? - Stats: More clear descriptions are required. What are the meanings of range for incidence?

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